

**Ledyard Public Library**  
**[www.ledyard.lioninc.org](http://www.ledyard.lioninc.org)**  
**April 2022**

**Bill Library**

718 Colonel Ledyard Highway  
Ledyard, CT 06339  
860- 464-9912

Hours: Mon – Wed. 9-8;  
**Thurs. closed**  
Fri. & Sat 9-5; Sun 1-5



**Gales Ferry Library**

18 Hurlbutt Road  
Gales Ferry, CT 06335  
860- 464-6943

**Hours:** Mon. – Tues. 9-8;  
Wed. - Thurs. & Sat 9-5;  
**Fri & Sun. Closed**

**Passport to Connecticut  
Libraries**

**April 1 - 30, 2022**

**Get your passport today at Bill or Gales  
Ferry Library!**

Ledyard Public Library is pleased to join libraries throughout Connecticut in a program designed to make people of all ages aware of the power of their library card. Take your library card and passport to at least five libraries on the list to be eligible to win \$150 gift card for adults or a \$100 gift card for children.



**[Click here for a  
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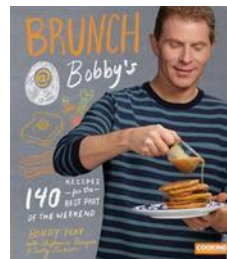
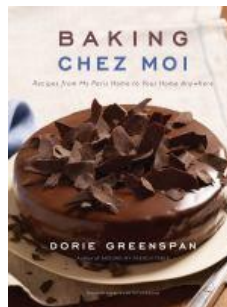
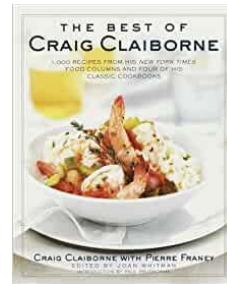
## Monthly Programs

### Cookbook Club

**Tuesday, April 5, 2022      12:30 pm**  
**Gales Ferry Community Center**

This month's selections of cookbooks will bring a little feeling of "April in Paris" with *The Best of Craig Claiborne: 1000 Recipes from His NY Times Food Column and Baking Chez Mois: Recipes From My Paris Home to Your Home Anywhere* by Dorie Greenspan. Join us as we meet in person and celebrate the wonderful recipes in these books and our own cooking secrets! For May we will select recipes from *Brunch @ Bobby's 140 Recipes for the Best Part of the Weekend* by Bobby Flay with Stephanie Banyas and Sally Jackson.

Click on any book to place a hold.



## Stock Discussion

### Investment Strategies for Turbulent Times

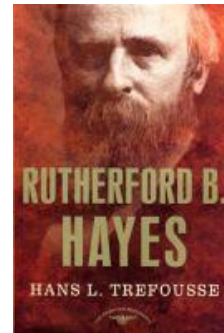
**Tuesday, April 5 7:00 pm**  
**Bill Library and on Zoom**

Join us for a discussion of topics pertinent to stock investment. Harry Pearson will facilitate the discussions and participants are encouraged to join in the Q & A. The link to join Zoom will be found on the library website.

## American Presidents Book Discussion

**Tuesday, April 12, 2022 7:00 pm**  
**President: Rutherford B. Hayes**  
**Bill Library and on Zoom**

In April we will discuss Rutherford B. Hayes and we will read *Rutherford B. Hayes* by Hans L. Trefousse. The American Presidents Book Discussion group will focus on the White House years of former American presidents. We discuss the impact American Presidents have had while in office, and their trials and triumphs. Click on the book cover to place a hold.

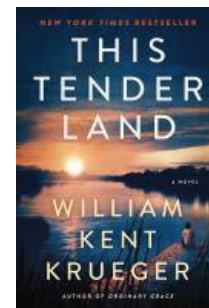


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## Senior Center Book Discussion

**Wednesday, April 27, 2022 10:30 am**  
**Ledyard Senior Center Ages 55+**

Join us to discuss *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger. Each character in this book has their own path to follow but they go through so much to get to that path. So full of heart you will fall in love with this tight group and feel their longings like your own. Click on the book cover to place a hold.



## Chess for Teens and Adults

**Saturday, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 11:30 am**  
**Bill Library**

Kyle Pearson will lead teens and adults in chess strategy and practice. This practice is intended for both beginners and intermediates. The instructor will provide all boards unless you would like to bring your own. We will meet in the Teen Area of the Library (We will play on the patio if it is a nice day.)

Masks are optional outside and inside, but recommended for those, who are uncomfortable with the close proximity of play. Please register under Ledyard Events for each session you wish to attend.



[Click here to register for April 2](#)

## Special Programs

### Welcome to Square Foot Gardening

**Saturday, April 23 1:00 pm**  
**Bill Library**

What is Square Foot Gardening (SFG)? Join Certified Instructor for SFG and Ledyard Garden Club member, Dan Williams, to learn how this specialized form of raised bed gardening uses less space, less seed, less water and fertilizer! Maximize your bounty with considerably less work! From construction to harvest, learn the ins and outs of Square Foot Gardening!



[Click here to Register](#)

# Children

## Let's Create!

**Wednesday, April 6**  
**Bill Library**

**4 pm**  
**Ages 6-11**

Join us to explore different arts and crafts as we create together! Projects are geared toward independent workers but younger siblings are welcome if parents are there to assist.



[Click here to register](#)

## Kids Paint!

**Saturday, April 16**  
**Bill Library**

**10:00 am**  
**Ages 6 – 11**

An open-ended art lesson guided by artist and teacher Suzanne Cipriano. Participants will have the option to use various stencils or assistance to hand sketch the selected subject. Every person will have free use of an easel, stretch canvas, large selection of paints and various tools such as paint brushes, Q-tips, toothbrushes, natural and synthetic sponges to apply the paint. The goal is to provide a warm supportive environment where students can tap into their creative side and enjoy the process.



[Click here to register](#)

## Dig In Spring Spectacular!

Wednesday, April 20  
Bill Library

10:00 am  
Ages 0 - 11

Join Farmer Allyson from Full Heart Farm, to learn how to plant your own seedling and watch it grow! Grow the seedling on your deck or balcony in a plastic pot, or a peat pot that can be planted directly into your garden. Other crafts will be available and Mrs. Burt will read some spring stories as well. Special thanks to the Teen Advisory Board for assisting with this program and to Eastern CT Community Gardens Association (ECCGA) for helping to fund it.



[Click here to register](#)

## Lego Build Challenge

Thursday, April 21  
Gales Ferry Library

10:00 am  
Ages 4 - 11

Are you up for a challenge? Come to the library to receive a random challenge to build out of Legos—difficulty will depend on the participant's age. Each participant will receive Legos to build with and when you are done you can take your creation home.



[Click here to register](#)

## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Ongoing

Birth - 5 yrs.

A free program that encourages you to read one thousand books with your child before he or she begins kindergarten. It's easy, fun, and a great way to bond with your young child.



# Teens

## Teen Advisory Board

**Monday, April 4**                      **4:00 pm**  
**Bill Library**                              **Grade 7-12**

We are looking for new members! At this meeting we will be discussing the Spring Spectacular Event. If you are interested in contributing to your library and community please email Mrs. Burt at [sburt@ledyard.lioninc.org](mailto:sburt@ledyard.lioninc.org).



## Teen Photography Contest

**Submissions Open: April 11**  
**Submissions Close: May 6**  
**Voting Opens: May 9**  
**Winners Announced: May 20**  
**Grade 7-12**

Back by popular demand! Teens are invited to submit photos via email in three categories. Participants can submit one photo per category. Categories include animals/pets, landscape/nature/scenery, and books (favorite read, favorite place to read, etc.) Photo submissions will close Friday, May 6. Community voting will be done via Google Form. The highest vote getters from each category will receive a \$25.00 Amazon gift card. Submissions can be sent to Mrs. Burt at [sburt@ledyard.lioninc.org](mailto:sburt@ledyard.lioninc.org).





## Volunteer Opportunities Bill Library or Gales Ferry Library

There are volunteer opportunities available to help with programming, shelf reading, craft organization, and more. Mrs. Burt is now collecting names and emails of teens interested in volunteering for the summer. There are limited spaces available so if you are interested please email her at [sburt@ledyard.lioninc.org](mailto:sburt@ledyard.lioninc.org) to let her know.



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## News from the Ledyard Seed Library

The Ledyard Seed Library had a great launch and has been visited daily by many of our local patrons and surrounding community members! We've just restocked the boxes, so stop by Bill Library to choose your free garden seeds and get your planning and seedlings started! We have hundreds of varieties including vegetables, flowers, herbs and wildflowers. Stop in soon for the widest selection! Please note that if stored in a cool dry place, seeds typically remain viable 2-4 years. If you have seeds left over in your packets, you can donate them back to the Ledyard Seed Library (attn.: Laura at Bill Library), or you can store them at home to be used next year! In addition to seeds we also have a wide collection of garden-themed library books & DVDs for checkout, as well as brochures & literature to help answer your questions and get you started. Stay tuned as we have a great line-up of gardening programs scheduled for each month through September. Thanks again to Roberta Levandoski and all of our enthusiastic volunteers for their continued support!





# Friends

## A Word from the Friends of Ledyard Library

**Friends Spring Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 14, 2022**  
**Gales Ferry Library**

**7:00 pm**

We encourage you to join us as we plan activities for the coming year. All are welcome.

Let's Celebrate! April is a month of celebrations for libraries

- National Library Week is April 3-9.  
<https://www.ala.org/conferenceevents/celebrationweeks/natlibraryweek>
- Tues, April 5 is National Library Workers Day. Take a moment to recognize your favorite library worker here: <https://ala-apa.org/nlwd/>
- Weds, April 6 is National Library Outreach Day
- Thurs, April 7 is Take Action for Libraries Day

Remember to visit the ongoing book sales at both libraries - in the meeting room at Bill Library, and the Book Cellar at Gales Ferry Library, each of which are open during normal library hours. All sales go towards support of the library.

Sarah Desormier, President

860 464-9538, [Friends@Ledyard.lioninc.org](mailto:Friends@Ledyard.lioninc.org)



## Janice W. Bell Research Room

**Mondays: 2:00 – 5:00 pm (except holidays)**

**Other days by appointment.**

For those curious about Ledyard and Gales Ferry events and people, the 'Historic Ledyard' series is a good place to start. These books contain photos and genealogical trees alongside the events of the 18 – 20 centuries in our community. The books can be found at both libraries to check out or purchase. A keyword search in the library catalog can often obtain results for local family names, places, or subjects such as the Ledyard Oak. Ask at the library desk for help obtaining books in their collection. Please email the Bell Room with your more complicated questions or for an appointment to access items that have "HistRm" in their call number in the library catalog.

Contact Andrea Buka at [research@ledyardhistory.org](mailto:research@ledyardhistory.org) or 860-464-9912 (Bill Library) to schedule an appointment or for more information.

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**For a complete list of Library Programs visit the Library  
Events Page at [www.ledyard.lioninc.org](http://www.ledyard.lioninc.org)**

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Learn | Discover | Create | Connect

Sunday

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